

# Sustainably Designed Building Performance

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# We've Begun. Here is what we've found so far...

- Three major points based on the evidence
  - Sustainably designed buildings perform better than industry baselines
  - Design emphasis on a performance target equates to better performance
  - Consistent data collection allows for more accurate performance measurement analysis

There is much more to do!



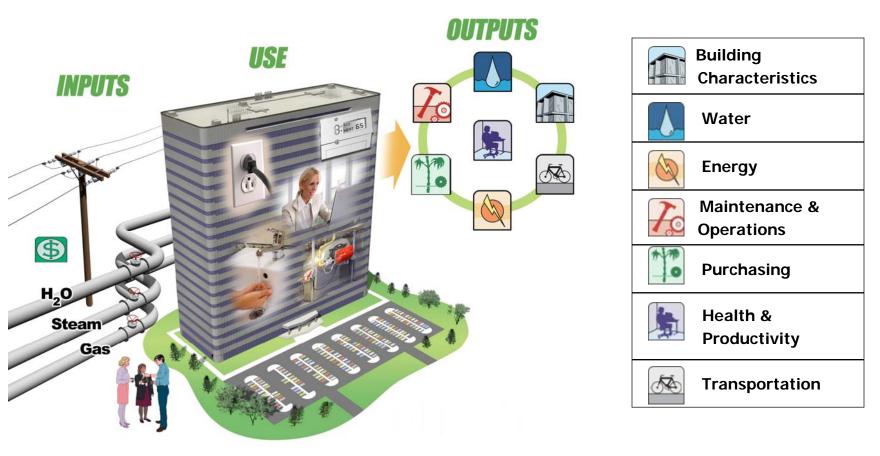
### **Overview**

- What is Whole Building Performance Measurement (WBPM)
- Results from current government studies
- Strategies for WBPM
- Lessons learned





# What is Whole Building Performance Measurement?

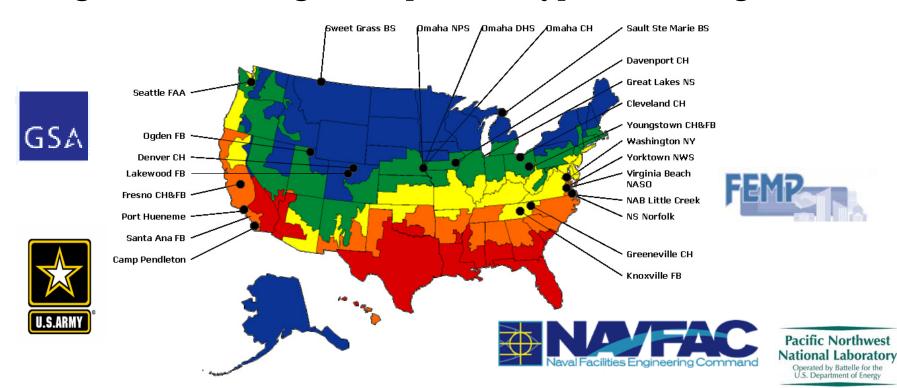


Whole-Building Performance Measurement involves measuring, not estimating or modeling, actual building related performance.



## What the government is doing?

- Side-by-side comparisons of green and typically designed buildings
- Green portfolio compared to industry & internal standards
- Designing and constructing green buildings with WBPM integrated into design, compared to typical buildings



	Metric					
Water	Total Building Potable Water Use Indoor Potable Water Outdoor Water Use Process Water Use Total Building Energy Use Source Energy					
Energy						
Maintenance & Operations	General Building Maintenance Grounds Maintenance Janitorial Service					
Waste Generation & Recycling	Solid Sanitary Waste Recycled Materials					
Occupant Satisfaction	Building Occupant Satisfaction and Self-Rated Productivity					
Transportation	Regular Commute					

# Sample Results and Findings from:

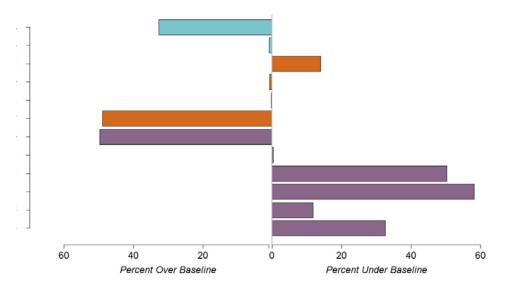
- 12 GSA Sustainably Designed Buildings compared to Industry Baseline data
- 5 Navy Sustainably Designed Buildings compared to 5 Navy Traditionally Designed Buildings

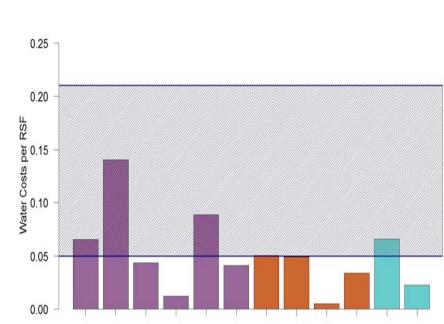


## Sustainably designed buildings perform better than industry baselines



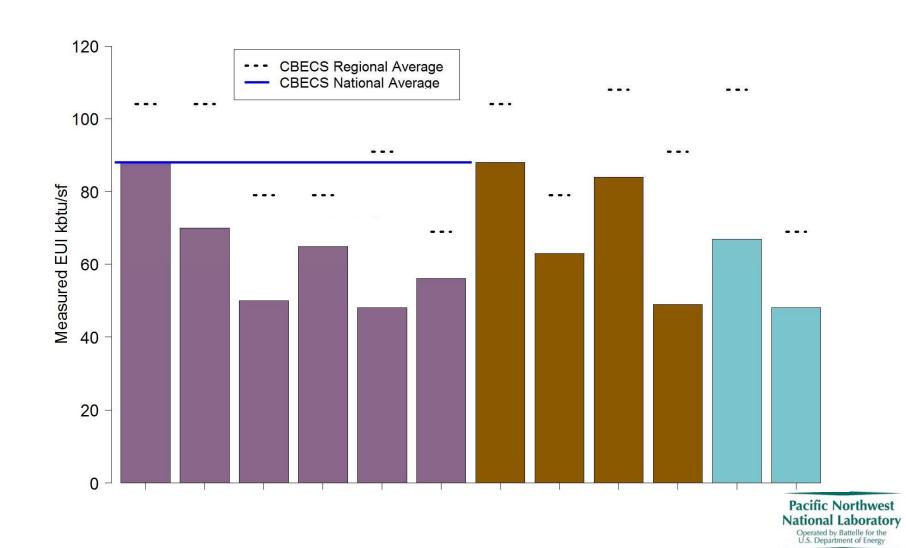
3% less domestic water use 60% lower water cost



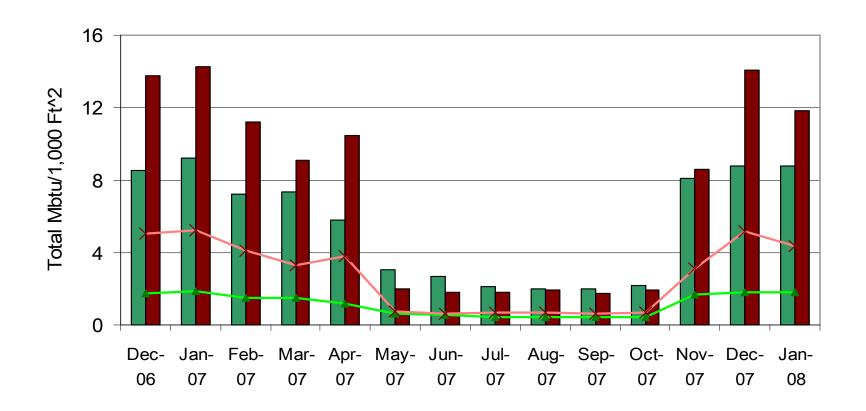




#### 26% less energy use



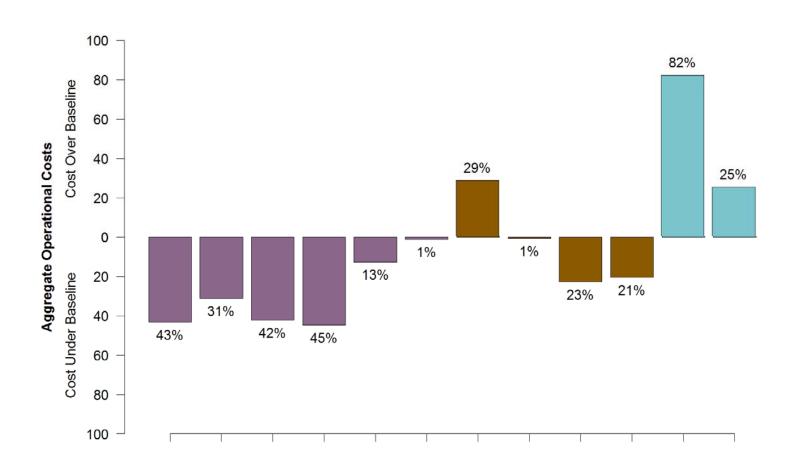






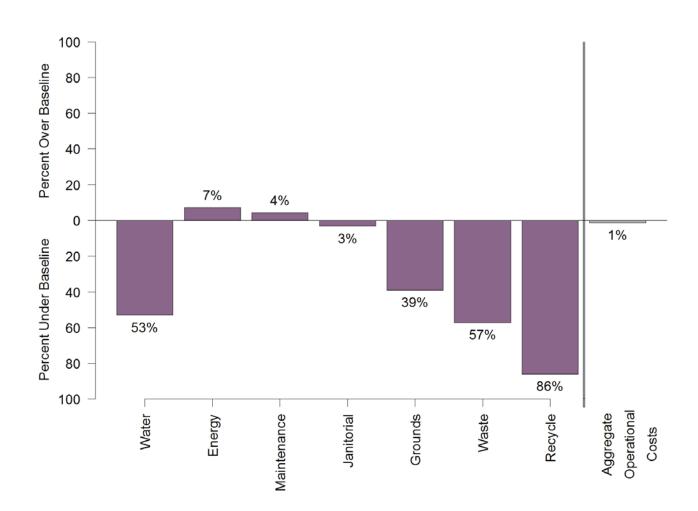


#### Cost 16% less to operate





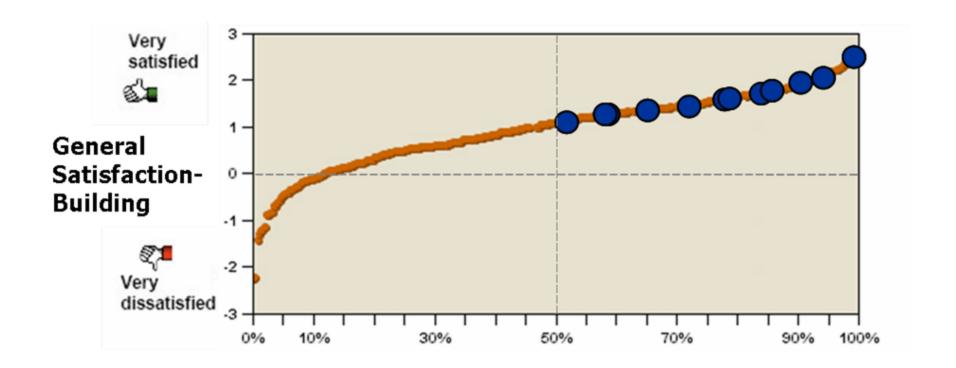








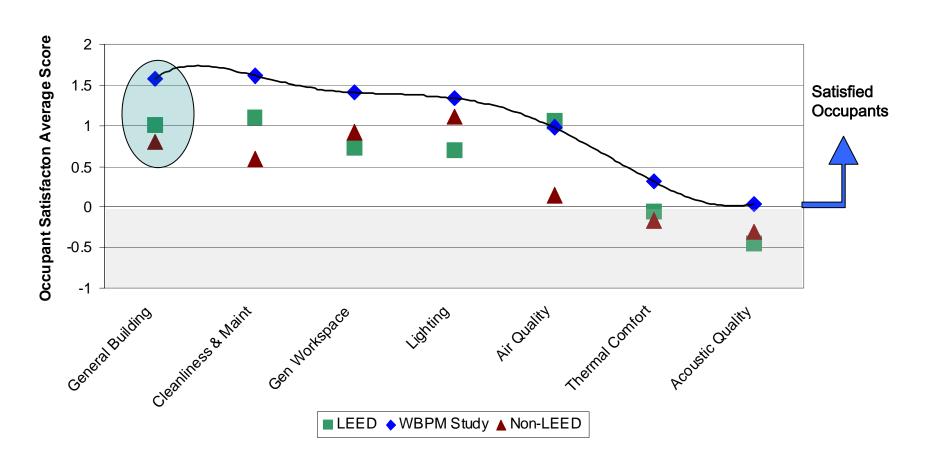
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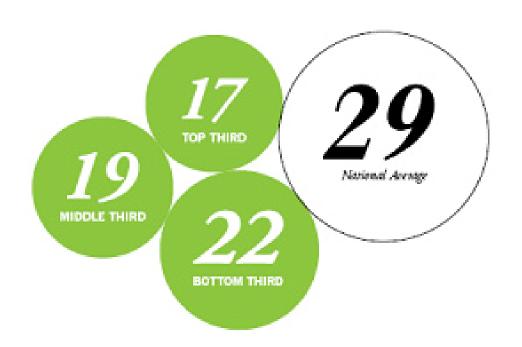






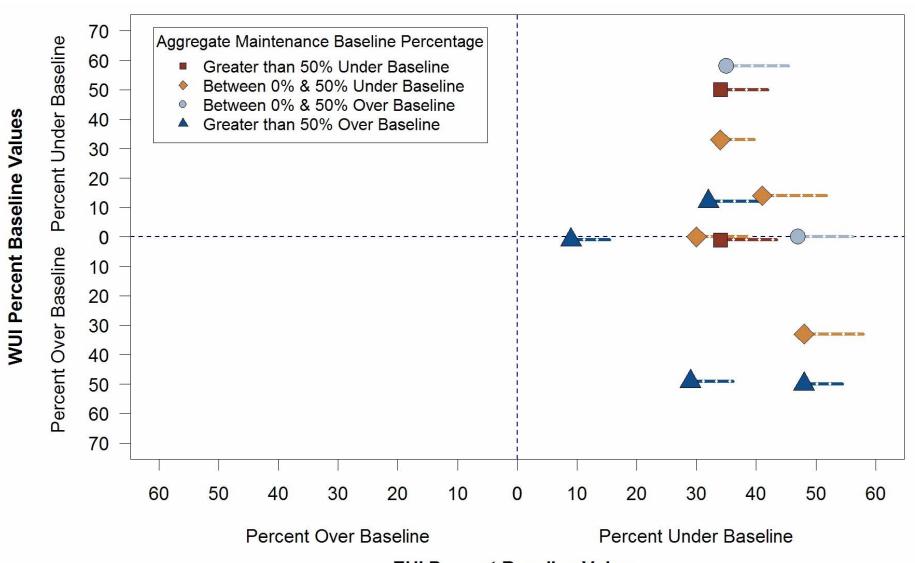
#### 33% Fewer carbon dioxide equivalent emissions All buildings better than industry average

#### CO2 Emissions (lbs/sf/yr)







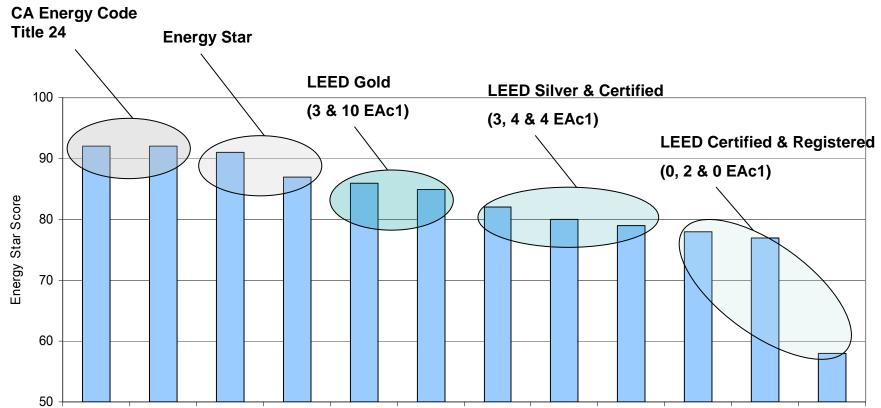


**EUI Percent Baseline Values** 

### Design emphasis on a performance target equates to better performance



Energy Star scores and design intent align

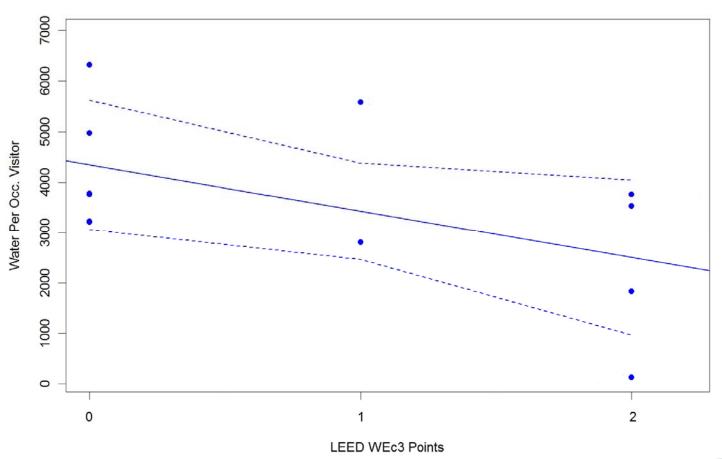








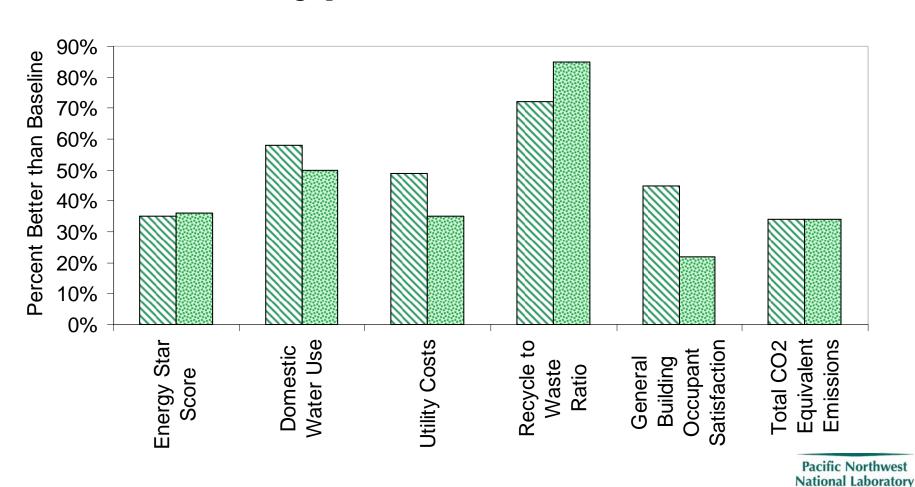
#### Lower domestic water use with water design intent



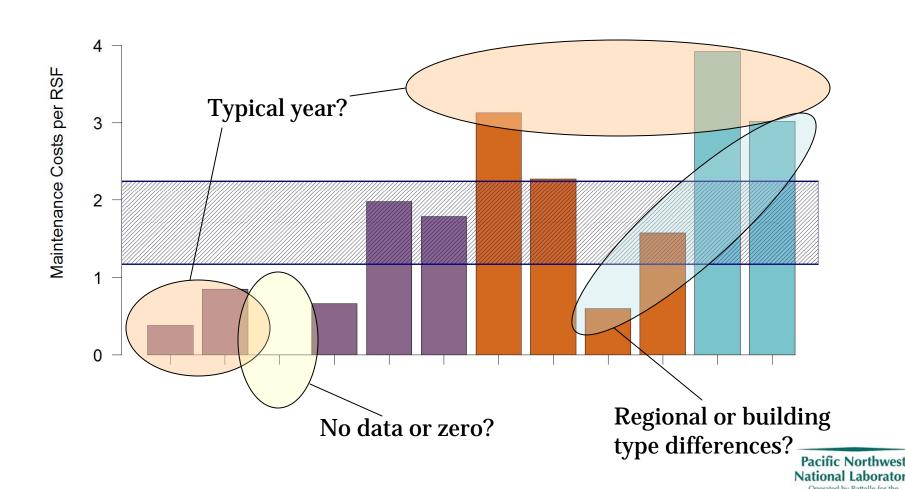




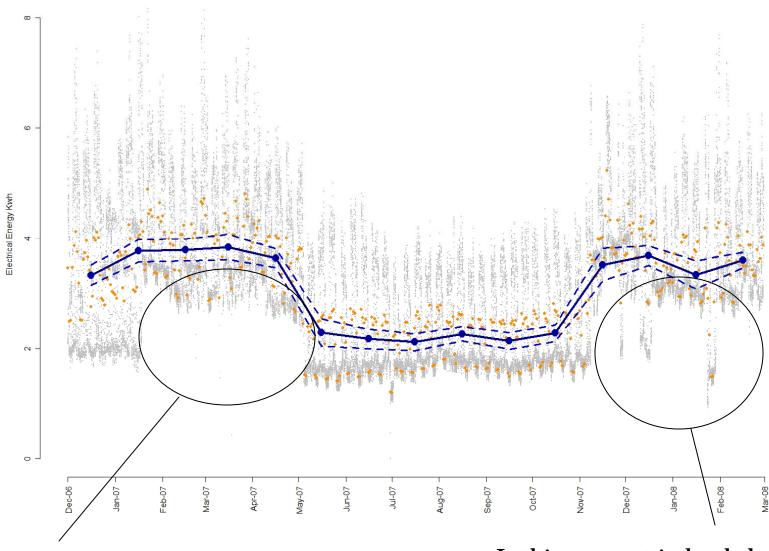
#### LEED Gold buildings performed better than baseline for all metrics



Operated by Battelle for the U.S. Department of Energy  Consistent, detailed data collection allows for more accurate performance measurement analysis



U.S. Department of Energy



Equipment error or change in base load?

Is this a repeat in load changes? Why does it drop off periodically?



### One more...

## Site specific data can inform building managers on building's performance

Metrics	Annual Performance Meas	urements	Annual Reporting Metrics			
	Water Use (gal)	800,414	Gallons per occupant	1,230		
	Process Water Use (gal)	216,112	Water Cost per occupant	\$29.09		
	Outdoor Water Use (gal)	160,083	Gallons per GSF	1.44		
	Water Cost	\$5,468	Water Cost per GSF	\$0.04		
	EnergyStar Score	87	Energy Use (kBTU) per GSF	49		
	Energy Cost	\$5,958	Energy Cost per GSF	\$0.94		
			Energy Emissions per building			
			(metric tons CO <sub>2</sub> equiv)	1,397		
	General Maintenance Cost	\$214,100	General Maint Cost per RSF	\$1.57		
70	Janitorial Services Cost	\$227,620	Janitorial Services Cost per RSF	\$1.67		
	Grounds Maintenance Cost	\$4,000	Grounds Maint Cost per RSF	\$0.03		
	Quantity of Maint Requests	180	Ratio of Maint Requests to Total			
	Quantity of Prev Maint Jobs	1,078	Maintenance Jobs	0.14		
	Solid Waste Generated (tons)	39	Solid Waste (lb) per occupant	3.67		
	Solid Waste Cost	\$900	Solid Waste Cost per RSF	\$0.01		
	Quantity Recycled (tons)	2	Solid Waste Cost per occupant	\$8.74		
	Recycling Cost	-\$71	Ratio of Recycled to Solid Waste	0.06		
	Survey # of Invitees	100				
	Survey # of Respondents (n)	54	Survey Return Rate	54%		
<b>5</b>	Commute Miles per occ (avg)	22	Commute Emissions per occ			
	Commute fuel per occ (avg gal)	276	(metric tons CO <sub>2</sub> equiv)	2.56		





### Who Cares?

- Owners of building portfolios
- Building managers and operators
- Building designers
- Researchers
- Financial Investors

Different parties ask different questions.





## The How, What and Why of WBPM

- How do sustainably designed buildings perform?
  - High level question, allows for summary data collection
- What design features offered significant performance impact?
  - Need more detailed data and ability to tie to design
- Why did the building perform the way it did?
  - Even more detailed data, analysis and interaction with building operators and occupants







## So, now you want to do WBPM...

- Planning your study
  - What question(s) do you want answered?
  - What buildings will you include in your study?
    - Magnitude
    - Diversity
    - Baselines
    - Data availability
  - How will you manage the study?
  - Who will you share the results with?





# Developing a WBPM Project

#### **Project Initiation**

**Identify Buildings** and Baseline



Select Performance **Measurement Metrics** 

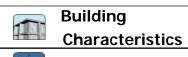




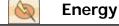


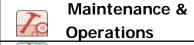
















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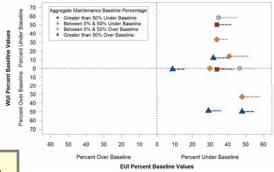
#### **Project Execution**

Identify possible metering needs

Gather site characteristics data& establish collection system for metered and non-metered data

Measure building performance for minimum of 12 months

Clarify data anomalies



#### **Project Analysis**

Compare Building Performance Data

Report Cost & Benefit Differences



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#### **WBPM Protocol**:

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